

MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ

Information based on Congressional districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997

	1997	1992	1987
Farms			
Number	275	241	252
Acreage	28,100	25,011	25,222
Average size (acres)	102	104	100
Median size (acres)	16	N	N
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	756,235	992,415	465,130
Machinery/equip (dollars)	49,692	50,148	68,321
Cropland (acres)			
Total	21,956	21,515	21,134
Harvested	20,346	19,158	17,629
Irrigated	1,586	1,404	2,322
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	34,355	23,518	29,407
(dollars avg. per farm)	124,927	97,585	116,696
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	42,061	12,623	21,411
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	233	437	556
Beef cows	D	105	118
Milk cows	D	116	135
Hogs and pigs	251	738	957
Sheep and lambs	390	829	556
Layers 13 wks or older	1,376	1,751	639
Broilers and chicken (sold)	320	D	0
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Corn, grain or seed	3,915	4,388	3,614
Corn, silage or green chop	75	157	208
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	N
Wheat	N	N	N
Barley	N	N	N
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflowerseed	N	N	N
Cotton	N	N	N
Tobacco	N	N	N
Soybeans	9,972	8,593	7,765
Dry edible beans, excl. limas	N	N	N
Potatoes, excl. sweetpotatoes	N	N	N
Sugarbeets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	N
Hay-alalfa	1,472	2,120	1,298
Vegetables			
Number of farms	77	69	86
Acreage	1,830	1,618	1,603

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Orchards			
Number of farms	22	16	21
Acreage	190	197	292

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-W withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture